

WARSAW PACT: Exercise Announced

The Poles announced yesterday that a weeklong Warsaw Pact field training exercise, "Friendship-82," will be held in Poland starting today. Troops from Soviet, Polish, and East German units will participate. Polish General Molczyk, Chief Inspector of Training for the Polish military and a deputy commander of the Combined Forces of the Warsaw Pact, will direct the exercise.

Comment: The Polish announcement of Friendship-82 just on the eve of the exercise indicates that fewer than 25,000 troops will participate. CSCE requirements call for the announcement to be made at least 21 days in advance for exercises involving more than 25,000.

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